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Dear Bill:

Re: US and Foreign Patentability Search Authorization

CHEMICAL FLOW AND REACTOR MICROINSTRUMENTATION

Inventors: R. White and A Northrup

UC Case No.: B92-011

This letter authorizes you to perform a patentability search in anticipation of filing a US patent application in the above case on behalf of The Regents of the University of California acting through its representative, the Office of Technology Licensing at UC Berkeley. You are authorized to perform the search and provide your patentability opinion only. Any actions should be referred to this office for decisions to file the application. Enclosed is a copy of the Invention Disclosure and other information for your review.

No near term public disclosure of the subject invention is anticipated.

Additional technical information may be obtained from the inventors who can be reached at:

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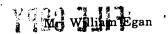
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